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Amino Acids or Chemical
Derivatives in Liquid Form to
Ruminant Livestock**

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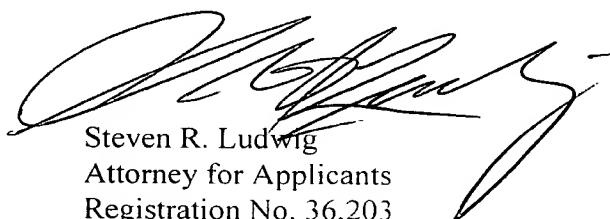
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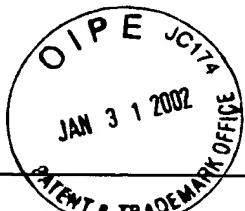
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AP1	WO 85/02323	06/06/1985	WIPO			XXXYes No

OTHER (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)

AR	1	International Search Report, International Application No. PCT/IB01/01384, mailed November 2, 2001.
AS	1	Dialog File 351: Derwent WPI, English language abstract of EP 0 253 740 (Document AL2), WPI Accession No: 1988-016059/198803.
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